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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st/October, through Sunday, 8th/October there were 212 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, R1FJ, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP8, VP8/g, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YU6, YV, Z2, Z3, Z7, ZA, ZC4, ZD7, ZK1/s, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND

Elmo, EA5BYP, informs OPDX that his next DXpedition is to the Island of Annobon (Pagalu). He will arrive via Malabo-Bata-Annobon on October 20th, and will remain on the island for 15 days and be activate as 3C0M. His equipment will be a line amplifier, two HF equipment, a

yagi antenna and dipoles. Elmo will be on air on SSB (80-10m), RTTY (20-15m) and CW (160m). He reports that making a radio DXpedition to Annobon Island has been a very difficult and complicated enterprise. Elmo has been talking to different Ministries of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea since 2004 to explain to them that ham radio enthusiasts are interested neither in politics nor religious differences, but to just practice ham radio without paying attention to the frontiers. He hopes with all his efforts that in the future he may launch a multinational ham radio DXpeditions there soon. This DXpedition is costly for only one operator, and he is looking for help in funding his operation.

3W, VIETNAM

Reports indicate that Shim, XV3AA/3W3A, is expected to be active for a couple of weeks starting October 11th. It is suggested to look for him between 2330-0030z on 20 meters. QSL via JA6UHG.

6W, SENEGAL

Jacques, F6BEE, will be active as 6W1RW during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F6BEE.

9M0, SPRATLY ISLANDS (Update)

Tex, 9M2TO, sent out a press release this week titled "Project 2007 Spratly Island 9M0 DXpedition by Team Blue Marlin Ventures". It reports that the Malaysian Communication and Multimedia Commission has approved Ham Radio operations from Pulau Layang Layang ([AS-051](#)) in the Spratly Island group. Operation is scheduled to take place between March 9-20th. Operators will include members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter's Society (MARTS) and a group of JA operators. Malaysian operators mentioned are: Chow/9M2CF, Phoa/9M2KT, Tex/9M2TO and Yasumasa/9M8YY. JA operators mentioned are: Yoshiaki/JA1OCZ, Tack/JE1CKA, Harumi/JF1PJK, Naoyuki/JK1FNL, Yasuyuki/JR1AIB, Kazuyuki/JR1VMX, Miho/JJ2VLY, Yutaka/JQ2GYU, Takashi/JR7TEQ and Kiyohiro/9M2/JH3GCN. The team plans to have a total of 20 operators. They also plan to have 2-4 stations up and running for 24 hours on all bands and modes. The 9M0 callsign and QSL route has not been announced yet.

9N, NEPAL

Tohru, JA0UMV, will be active from Katmandu as 9N7MV between October 26-30th. This is his second DXpedition from Nepal. Activity this time will be on 40/30/20/17/15 meters only, SSB, CW and possibly RTTY. He will participate in the CQ WWDX SSB Contest as a Single-Op/All-band/ Low-Power entry. Tohru will operate CW outside of the contest, so look for him on the following suggested frequencies: 7017, 10117, 14027, 18077 and 21027 kHz. QSL via his home callsign: Tohru Kataoka, 15-9 Sakae, Kamo, Niigata 959-1382 JAPAN.

ANTARCTIC NEWS

The French Polar Team is proud to announce the "ANTARCTICA CHALLENGE". The goal of the "Antarctica Challenge" is to promote the Antarctica Hamradio traffic; it should reflect the global and coherent hamradio traffic with the Antarctica. Another main goal of the Challenge is to gather funds to help Antarctica's stations (QSL printing, Materials supply and so on..). The "Antarctica Challenge" is not an Award, but a Challenge. As you will see in the rules it's not simply to count bases and confirm the QSOs, but you must find the exact and accurate Antarctica station positions (on the island). Your Geographic skill and documentations will help

you achieve this goal. Visit the Antarctica Challenge Web site at:

<http://f6kdf.ath.cx/f5nod/>

B7, CHINA

A group of hams from BY7-land will be active as B7P during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are: Terry/BA7NQ, Junxiang/BD7IN, Jinquan/BD7JLR, Yang/BG7IXG, Xijiang/BG7MCE, Guanqiu/BG7KTA, BG7IBV and BG7KSF.

CT3, MADEIRA ISLANDS

Operators CT1BOH, CT1BOP, CT4NH, CT3BD, CT3DL, CT3DZ, CT3EE, CT3EN, CT3HK, CT3IA, CT3IQ, CT3KU and CT3KY will be active as CT3IA during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via CQ9K.

DXCC NEWS

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Branch Manager, informs OPDX that the following operation is **approved for DXCC credit**:

TT8LN - Chad; Operation from February 12th through June 5th, 2006

YU6AO CREDITS ON HOLD! On October 4th, 2006, Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Branch Manager, reports:

"A number of DXers have had their YU6AO credits rejected by the DXCC Desk. Although we are entering these confirmations, we are currently not allowing DXCC credit because of possible irregularities in the QSLing process. We have received several independent reports relating to the QSO dates, some QSOs made prior to July 4th, 2006, being post-dated to dates July 4th and later. We take this very seriously, and we are seeking clarification, but our latest attempt to communicate with YU6AO has not been acknowledged. Once this matter is cleared, credits already submitted can be claimed with a note to the DXCC Branch Manager, Bill Moore at dxcc@arrrl.org."

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS

A team of EA and EA8 operators will activate EF8A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Multi-? or possibly a Multi-2 entry. QSL via EA8URL.

FT5X, KERGUELEN ISLANDS

As this was being written, Gildas (Gil), TU5KG, who has been active as FT5XP/mm in the Austral Sea (in Southern Indian Ocean) on a fishing boat near/around the Kerguelen Islands, was expected to be active from Kerguelen Islands. The reports states, "Gildas is 'full ahead' to Kerguelen Island, he will be FT5XP from 'Port aux Francais' this weekend October 7th (He should arrive this evening) untill 8th. He will also be on Kerguelen the weekend of November 26th (for fuel refill)." QSL via F4EFI.

HR, HONDURAS (Topband)

Dan, HR2DMR, is now active on the topband. He will be trying out a new set of antennas on

160 meters during October and November to be ready for the ARRL 160 Contest and CQ 160 Contest. Dan states that this is a good chance to work HR on 160 on CW, SSB and maybe RTTY between 0000-0500z. Suggested frequencies are: 1835, 1830 and 1825 kHz. He was also heard this past week on 40 meters SSB.

IOTA NEWS

AF-018. Raf, IH9YMC, is currently a resident of **Pantelleria Island** (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WLOTA LH-0041). He plans to be active on the bands through January 31st. He has also been active on 160 meters. QSL direct or by the bureau.

AS-093. Operators Han/DS2GOO, Son/DS3HWS, Lee/6K2CEW and maybe a few others will be active from **Hong Island** (WLOTA 1528, Grid Loc PM24OQ and Korean Districition Number H32) during October 13-15th. They will sign homecall/4 and D90HE/4. They will concentrate on 80-10 meters SSB but some digital modes like FSK or PSK31 are preferred. QSLs for D90HE/4 go to DS2GOO and all others via their home callsigns. More information and a log search will be available at:

http://myhome.naver.com/dxer2han/as_093/

EU-004. Operator Tom, DK3DUA, will be active as EA6/DK3DUA from the **Island of Mallorca** (DIE E-021, MIA MB-004, WLOTA LH-1902), Balearic Islands, from October 15-22nd. Activity will be on CW on 80-10 meters with a FD3 and 6 meters with a dipole. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY

A team of 8 LU operators will be active from Claromeco Lighthouse (ARG-014) as LU4AAO/D between October 14-15th. Activity will be on all HF bands, on SSB and CW. QSL only via LU4AAO (Radio Club QRM Belgrano). The Claromeco Lighthouse is located in the south of the Buenos Aires Province. More information is available at:

<http://www.lu4aao.org.ar/>

Or you can contact via E-mail at: lu4aao@yahoo.com.ar

LX, LUXEMBOURG

Philippe, LX2A, will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He informs OPDX that "If you work me on 3 bands you can request 1 direct QSL." QSL is OK via his new callsign LX2A (ex-LX2AJ) by the Bureau, direct and LoTW (no EQSL). His new Web page is:

<http://www.lx2a.com>

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2006-2007

Gary, K4MQG, informs OPDX that the results of the 2006-2007 INDEXA election which ended September 30th are now official and is being distributed for publication. The results are as follows:

President: Ron, ZL1AMO
Vice President: Gary, K4MQG
Secretary-Treasurer: William, W4UNP

Director: Bob, K4UEE
Director: Nellie, XE1CI
Director: Franz, DJ9ZB
Director: Rich, W9RG
Newsletter Editor: John, K8YC

P40, ARUBA

Operators Dave/K9UK, John/W9KXQ, Bill/WW9WW, Dave/WG9J and Tom/W9AEB will be active as P40Z between November 28th and December 5th. QSL via K9UK.

P40, ARUBA (Update/Change)

Ken/K6TA and Kay/K6KO will be active from here as P40TA and P40K, respectively, from November 30th to December 21st. Kay plans to be active in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest (December 11-12th) as a Single-Op/High-Power/Phone entry. Also, look for P40TA in the ARRL 160m Contest (December 1-3rd) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL both callsigns via WM6A.

PJ2, NETHERLAND ANTILLES

Operators Dan/K1TO, John/K4BAI and Vic/N4TO will be active as PJ4A from Bonaire during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 25-26th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. Before and after the contest, they will use PJ4/homecalls between November 21-28th. QSL all callsigns via K4BAI. The team of operators set the North American Multi/Single record for CQWW DX CW Contest as 8P9Z in 1999. The operation will be from the K2NG/PJ4G "Radio House" on Bonaire. John/K4BAI and Jeff/KU8E, won the Multi/Single category in the ARRL DX CW Contest in February of this year from the same QTH. IOTA is [SA-006](#). Grid is FK52.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

HA506NF via HA6NF	HB9TZC via IK2UIZ
HA501AD via HA1AD	HC1JB direct via PU1KGG
HA507MW via HA7MW	HC2XA direct BOX 09-01-11430, GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR
HA507SQ via HA7SQ	JV800BV via JT1BV
HA508IB via HA8IB	MS0WRC via MX0WRC or GOMTD
HA508VK via HA8VK	RL9A via UA9AX
HA508ZO via HA8ZO	

QSL **9Q1EK** only to the address mentioned on QRZ.com and NOT to the VE2EK. This is from an E-mail received by Georges, 9Q1EK/VE2EK/ZS1II. The address is: Georges SCHLEGER, UNITED NATIONS-MONUC- RADIO OKAPI, KINSHASA 12 Av. des Aviateurs B.P. 8811, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO.

QSL **D44TD** only direct to CT1EKF: Antonio Jose Xara' Costa, R:Centro Vidreiro 917 Bustelo 3720 262, Oliveira Azemeis, PORTUGAL.

Antonio, EA5RM, announced that the **S01R** log was uploaded to ARRL's LoTW. Also, bureau cards are starting to go out.

Pedro, **HK3JJH**, has a new mailing address: PEDRO J ALLINA Cod 9906, PO Box 02-5242, MIAMI FL 33102-5242, U.S.A.

REDUCED "CLOSEOUT" PRICE FOR IRCS: Bob, N2OO, has a limited number of IRCs for sale. All are large-sized IRCs which expire December 31st, 2006. Sale price 1.05 USD each. Minimum quantity: 10. IRCs will be sent postpaid USA (regular mail). PayPal accepted. Contact Bob, N2OO, for more information at: n2oo@arrrl.net

Nilay, TA3YJ, reports: "Dear Radio Amateur Friends, Some radio amateurs are complaining about not receiving any reply for the QSL cards they had sent via bureau. **TRAC QSL Bureau** is doing the distribution in Turkey for the QSL cards that had come for me. Because of different reasons, which do not originate by me, I have not received any QSL cards from TRAC QSL Bureau since April 21, 2006. I recommend my radio amateur friends to send me the QSL cards directly if they need the cards urgently. Best regards from TAnatolia. 73 & 88, Nilay Mine AYDOGMUS, TA3YJ" TA3YJ QSL Service:

<http://www.geocities.com/qlservice/ta3yj>

VU4AN/VU3CHE QSL STATUS. Charles, K4VUD, reports: "All incoming QSL card requests for VU4AN/VU3CHE are now answered and in the mail. New incoming will be answered fast now and the HS bureau cards will be answered ASAP."

S2, BANGLADESH

An announcement was sent out this past week releasing details of the "Bangladesh 2007 DXpedition" which has been in the planning stages for 2 years. This operation will be carried out by the same group that activated D68BT/D68WL (2001) and TN3B/TN3W (2002). The team will be on the air as S21EA for 7 days between January 10-16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters including the WARC bands, CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to have 3 stations on the air. Operators mentioned are: Josep/EA3BT (Team Leader/SSB/Digital), Tony/EA2PA (CW), Nuria/EA3WL (YL/SSB/Digital), Fernando/EA5FX (CW) and Juan/EA8CAC (CW/SSB). QSL via EA3BT, by the Bureau or direct. A Web page is currently under construction for this operation and its URL address will be:

<http://www.ea3bt.com/s21ea.html>

ST2, SUDAN (Bird Activities)

Nader, HZ1NH, is back in the Sudan as ST2NH. He will be active on satellites trying to work Europe. His stay in Sudan is unknown. QSL via EA7FTR: Francisco Lianez Suero, Asturias 23, 21110 Aljaraque, HUELVA, SPAIN.

SX1, GREECE (Special Event)

Look for special event station SX1VAR to be activated during the JOTA from October 21-22nd. Also, look for special event station SX100VAR to be active during the year 2007 (January 1st to December 31st) to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts. QSL info will be available on QRZ.com. Look for details to become available soon on how to earn an award for working SX100VAR.

TI8, COSTA RICA

Operators Carlos/TI2KAC, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Keith/W4KTR and Alexis/W4XO will be active as TI8M during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via TI2KAC, direct or by the Bureau. Look for activity before the contest on 160-10

meters.

TK, CORSICA

Operators Kazik/DL2SBY, Tomi/HA4DX and Laci/HA0HW will be active as TK/homecall between November 2-11th. Their QTH will be on the north part of Corsica (**EU-014**) near a small village called Sisco. Activity will be on all HF bands (CW, SSB, and Digital modes) but they will focus on the lower bands. On 160m, they will use an Inverted L for transmitting and 2 lambda long beverages for reception, on 80m an Inverted Vee, on 40m a monoband Gp. On the higher bands, they will be using DunaX GPN4B and DunaX GPW3B multi-band Gp antennas. They will use two radios and a small amplifier with 500 watts output. QSL via the operator's home call sign, by his national QSL Bureau, or via the (QRZ.com) address.

TZ, MALI

Eric, ON4LN, has announced that a team of 4 operators will be active from Bamako, Mali, between April 1-8th next year. No other details were released other than a Web site will be online soon with more info.

V6, MICRONESIA (Also KH2)

Four members of the Yamato Club (JA1ZEK) will be active from three different islands of Micronesia between November 1-13th. Look for the following operators: Sasi/JA1KJW (V63JQ), Mat/JA1JQY (V63JY), Hiro/JI1FOP (V63OP) and Kuni/JA8VE (V63VE). Their planned schedule and destination is as follows:

November 1-6th - Kosrae Island (**OC-059**)
November 7-8th - Pohnpei Island (**OC-010**)
November 9-13th - Chuuk Island (**OC-011**)
November 14-15th - Guam Island (**OC-026**)

They will set up two stations and operate on 160-10 meters, SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL V63JQ via JA1KJW, V63JY via JA1JQY, V63OP via JI1FOP and V63VE via JF1OCQ.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

Steve, AK0M, will be active from here next year between February 12-19th. His VP2V callsign is unknown as of yet. Operation will be from the Island of Anegada (NA-023), and he plans to be a casual entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via AK0M. Look for updates in the future as plans finalize.

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS. NIAR PRESS RELEASE (dated October 6th, 2006)

"We are happy to inform you that the Hon'ble Minister for Communications and IT has approved the NIAR proposal for holding Hamfest a convention of International amateur radio operators in Lakshadweep Islands (VU7). The event will be held during December 1-3rd, 2006. The event also coincides the year of Golden Jubilee celebrations of Union Territory of Lakshadweep. Another major attraction for the event is that Indian and Foreign hams can obtain permission from Government of India to operate their Amateur Radio stations during the HAMFEST being held at Lakshadweep Islands during December 1-10th, 2006.

Several agencies of the Government of India have come together to support Amateur Radio activity in our country, particularly the Department of Information Technology, Ministry of Tourism, Lakshadweep Administration, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of HRD and Department of Telecommunications. This was made possible with encouragement we received from DX agencies like GDXF, Germany and DERA, USA etc.

Hamfest is likely to attract a large number of operators. It has been decided to spread amateur radio stations to different islands to ensure most efficient operations with their physical separation of 10-60 km.

The operations will take place at least from: Agatti Island, Bangaram Island and Kadmat Island.

Lots of attention will be put in the organisation of each island operation site: Experienced operators, carefully selected equipments, large antenna farms, and awareness of conditions to all continents on all bands.

In addition NIAR has assigned reliable QSL Managers to ensure quickest and most efficient QSL handling for each of the 3 ITU Regions:

Region 1: German DX Foundation (GDXF)

Region 2: N2OO, Bob Scheck

Region 3: The I-House Radio Club

Your contribution, in any amount, will make you a valued member of our VU7 operation. We need your support! We plan a special acknowledgement for Individual Donators. Further details will follow in due time. More details will be released on the official webpage www.vu7.in as plans and details firm up.

Regards... Mohan, VU2MYH"

WRTC 2010

The World Radiosport Team Championship Sanctioning Committee (WRTC-SC) have announced that the 2010 WRTC will be held in Russia. The Soyuz Radiolyubitelei Rossii (SRR) will sponsor the event under the leadership of their SRR President, Roman Thomas, RZ3AA, who will be the host Committee Chairman. The WRTC and the IARU Championship will be held next July 2010.

XU, CAMBODIA

Retu, OH4MDY, reports that the members of the Finnish radio group called the "Pieksamaen Radioamatoorit ry." (OH4AB) will be active in XU with the callsigns XU7MDY and XU7JGE between October 20th and November 5th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters CW. Suggested frequencies are: 1825, 3507, 7003, 10104, 14007, 21007, 24897 and 28020 kHz. There will be an emphasis on the lower bands. Also, look for XU7MDY to be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Single-Band entry (band not provided). QSL only direct and QSL info is available on (QRZ.com).

YN2, NICARAGUA

Operators Ed/W5GCX, Mike/K5UO and Frosty/K5LBU will be active as YN2EJ from Granada

during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via K5LBU.



**** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ****

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1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)



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